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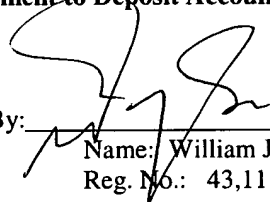
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- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate under 37 CFR § 1.8.
- ☒ Cover letter (1 page) and Response to Office Action (15 pages).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; Form 1449 and copy of cited art reference(s).
- ☒ Letter to Official Draftsman and two sheets of amended drawings
- ☒ A Petition for Three Month Extension of Time.
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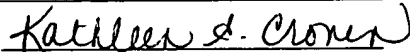
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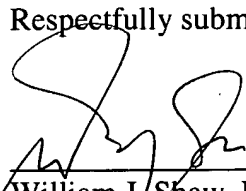
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.85, enclosed herewith are two sheets of corrected drawings to overcome the objection in the Office Actopn dated August 15, 2002. Any inquiry regarding this matter should be directed to the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,

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